(2) Kalinga Power Corporation Limited, (a company registered in India, which will shortly have majority equity share holding by foreign investors) for captive coal mine for a power plant at Duburi, Cuttack, Distt., Orissa.

Quantity produced in the Kalakot Mines

764. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated quantity of coal lying in the Kalakot Mines of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) what quantity of coal is being extracted from these mines at present and what expenditure is being incurred thereon;

(c) what is the category-wise labour force employed in the mines; and

(d) what profit has been made by these mines during the last three years?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B NYAMAGOUDA): (a) According to information available with Geological Survey of India, the estimated proved reserves in the Kalakot Coal Mines of Jammu and Kashmir are 0.35 million tonnes.

(b) Accordng to the State Government, about 20,000 tonnes of coal is being produced annually from Kalakot Coal mines at an average annual expenditure of Rs. 320 lakhs.

(c) The category-wise labour force employed in these mines are:—

Monthly paid	—	220
Daily rated	—	420
Piece rated	—	507

(d) Coal mining operations in Kalakot are not commercially viable since very inception of coal mining in the area due to impersistent and un-predicted behaviour of coal seam. No profit could be earned during the last 3 years.

Allocation of coal to U P

765. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is much shortage of coal in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, what is the quantity of coal allocated to Uttar Pradesh and what is the percentage of the same given for tribal regions of the State; and

(c) whether Government propose to allocate more coal to Uttar Pradesh?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (c) Coal supplies to all the consuming sectors in Uttar Pradesh have, in fact, registered an increase from 27.737 million tonnes in 1990-91 and 30.505 million tonnes in 1991-92. The existing information system does not yield separate data about the percentage of coal supplied to consumers located in tribal regions of the State. Coal India Ltd. had earlier this year offered additional quantity of 6.04 million tonnes of coal on unrestricted basis from pithead stocks to all the coal consumers. Many consumers of U.P. State also applied for this coal and obtained allocations in their favour. Consumers in U.P. can also avail of the facility of lifting 1000 tonnes of coal at a time without sponsorship under the "Liberalised Sale Scheme" from the mines specified under this scheme. It is expected that availability of coal to all States incuding Uttar Pradesh will increase incoming years.

Separate coal corporation for North East region

766. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal for a separate coal corpora-